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EVALUATION [REDACTED] except as noted) PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]DATE OF CONTENT 11 August to 3 September 1950DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 27 September 1950 *file*REFERENCES [REDACTED]PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) 25X1AREMARKS [REDACTED]**RETURN TO CIA LIBRARY**

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1. Colonel Ishenko (fmu), stationed in Rudolstadt (M 51/J 54), shipped his furniture to Wildpark by rail on 11 August 1950. Source believed that the colonel was transferred to Potsdam (M 53/Z 63). [REDACTED] (1) 25X1A

2. Soldiers laid cables on the Brand (sic) in the Lieberose training area (M 52/A 49) on 24 August 1950. The cable reels were carried on [REDACTED] (2) 25X1A

3. [REDACTED] in Schoenebeck (M 53/D 78) was engaged in repairing and overhauling Soviet motor vehicles prior to 29 August 1950. The unit consisted of seven Soviet officers and two FM and employed 220 Germans. Commanding officer was Major Ivanoff (fmu), who had arrived from the U.S.S.R. about six months previously. Most of the trucks under repair were GAZ and ZIS makes, including ZIS tank trucks. (3) 25X1A

4. A high-echelon headquarters was located in the restricted area on Gruenewald-Luckenwalde (M 53/Z 70). [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] entered the headquarters area on 31 August 1950. (4) 25X1A

5. A telephone line previously constructed along the Finow-Biesenthal highway had been removed in mid-August 1950. A new telephone line was being constructed on 31 August 1950 by 12 to 15 soldiers who wore black epaulets and who had [REDACTED]. The 25X1A line was apparently constructed for training purposes, since it was not connected with any permanent telephone line. (5) 25X1A

6. On 3 September 1950 a construction detail of an officer and 25 EM was observed erecting telephone poles along Highway No 5, between Ludwigslust (M 54/T 53) and Grabow. [REDACTED] was seen with the soldiers. (6) 25X1A

Comments.

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- (1) Colonel Ishenko was chief transportation officer of the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div, according to a deserter interrogated in early January 1950. [REDACTED] The 25X1A [REDACTED] reported in connection with Colonel Ishenko confirms him as being

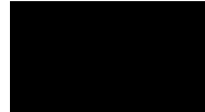
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25X1A an officer of the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div. It is believed that he was transferred to a high-echelon transportation office in the Potsdam area.

- (2) [REDACTED] belong to the 7th Gds Mecz Div and therefore confirm component units of the division in the Lieberose maneuver area up to 24 August 1950.

25X1A (3) [REDACTED] belongs to an unidentified motor vehicle repair unit in Schoenebeck on the Elbe River.

- (4) A high-echelon headquarters, believed to be the Hq Third Gds Mecz Army, was previously observed in the restricted area on Gruenstrasse. 25X1A

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- (5) A signal unit of the 6th Gds Mecz Div, according to [REDACTED]

- (6) A headquarters signal unit of the Third Shock Army, according to [REDACTED]

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